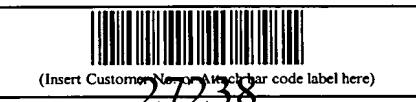


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*Sir:*Transmitted herewith for filing under 35 U.S.C. 111 and 37 CFR 1.53 is the Design Utility patent application of:

Inventor: Pickering
Entitled: Smooth Surface Gas Cooktop Having an Electric Ignition/Turndown System

 Customer Number or Bar Code Label

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Enclosed are:

- 14 page(s) of written description, claims and abstract
- 2 sheet(s) of drawings (formal informal)
- An assignment of the invention to: Maytag Corporation
- Executed (original or copy) declaration of the inventor(s).
- A certified copy of a priority document.
- Applicant claims small entity status (see 37 CFR 1.27)
- Preliminary Amendment.
- Information Disclosure Statement w/ 9 refs.
- Return Receipt Postcard

CONTINUING APPLICATION (see requisite information below and accompanying preliminary amendment, or Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76):

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Copy of declaration of the inventor(s) from a prior application (Continuation/Divisional information completed above)

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